ORDINANCE NO. 14747

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 74 - 2009

INTRODUCED BY

OCTOBER 7, 2009

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2009 General Fund Budget to provide for a supplemental appropriation of One Million (\$1,000,000) Dollars to provide for the grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Office of the Budget. This is a pass through grant to the Allentown Housing Authority for work done on the Hanover Acres Project.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN:

SECTION ONE: That City Council authorizes a One Million Dollar (\$1,000,000) increase to the General Fund.

SECTION TWO: That City Council authorizes a supplemental appropriation from the unappropriated balance of the General Fund in the following manner:

Community Development: Office of the Director

Grant Non-City Charges 000-09-0901-0001-48

\$1,000,000

SECTION THREE: That this Ordinance will take effect ten (10) days after final passage.

SECTION FOUR: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

	Yea	Nay
Michael Donovan	Х	
Jeanette Eichenwald	Х	
Julio A. Guridy	Rec used	
David M. Howells, Sr.	Х	
Tony Phillips	Х	
Peter G. Schweyer	Х	
Michael D'Amore, President	Х	
TOTAL	6	0

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by City Council and signed by His Honor the Mayor on the $10^{\rm th}$ day of November, 2009.

CITY CLERK	

What Department or bureau is Bill originating from? Where did the initiative for the bill originate?

The Department of Community and Economic Development is originating the bill. The initiative comes from the need to budget a pass through grant from the Pennsylvania Office of the the Budget to the Housing Authority of the City of Allentown for the Hanover Acres redevelopment project.

Summary and Facts of the Bill

This bills allows the City to budget a pass through grant to allow the funds to be distributed to the Allentown Housing Authority.

- Purpose Please include the following in your explanation:
 - What does the Bill do what are the specific goals/tasks the bill seek to accomplish
 - What are the Benefits of doing this/Down-side of doing this
 - How does this Bill related to the City's Vision/Mission/Priorities

The Pennsylvania Redevelopment Assistance Capital Grant Program (RACP) requires funds to go to a municipality, not directly to the grantee, which is why this money must come through the City. The funds were granted to the Housing Authority for the redevelopment of the Hanover Acres/Riverview Terrace Family Public Housing Development, now called Overlook Park. The benefits include accepting additional grant dollars for the completion of a major redevelopment project in the City of Allentown. The project is directly related to the City's mission of maximizing grant opportunities and revitalizing a major housing development in the City.

- Financial Impact Please include the following in your explanation:
 - Cost (Initial and ongoing)
 - Benefits (initial and ongoing)

There is no direct financial impact on the City, these funds are part of a pass through grant.

- Funding Sources Please include the following in your explanation:
 - If transferring funds, please make sure bill gives specific accounts; if appropriating funds from a grant list the agency awarding the grant.

The funding source is the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Redevelopment Assistance Capital Grant program

Priority status/Deadlines, if any

The funds have been requested from the state, and all compliance documents have been submitted for review. When the funds arrive, we would like to release them to the grantee.

Why should Council unanimously support this bill?

These funds come from a pass through grant for a major redevelopment project in the City. There is no adverse financial impact on the City.